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House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515—1806

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the west ramp reconstruction at the Houma-Terrebonne Airport (HUM) in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Houma-Terrebonne Airport Commission, located at 10264 East Main Street, Houma, LA, 70363. The funding would be used to reconstruct the airport's west ramp, which dates back to the 1940s and has reached the end of its useful lifespan. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will preserve current vital assets at HUM and unlock additional capacity at the airport, providing an economic boost to the region.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 49 U.S.C. §47100 et seq. Preventive maintenance for the replacement or reconstruction of pavement at an airport is authorized under §47105(e) of the statute. This project would reconstruct the west ramp at Houma-Terrebonne airport and is AIP eligible and is on the CIP and Master Plan, and thus is authorized under the requirements of the statute.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Garret Graves

Member of Congress